

Walker River Paiute Tribe

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<u>CALL FOR TRIBAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 2024</u>

The Walker River Paiute Tribe will hold its Tribal Election on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 19</u>, <u>2024</u>, at the Tribal Community Center located on Hospital Road in Schurz, Nevada. The Polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and close at 7:00 P.M.

There are <u>two (2) Council Positions Vacant</u>, one (1) for Tribal Council Chairman and one (1) for Treasurer; those elected will serve a 4-year term. Eligibility for holding office is as follows:

- 1. Must be a member of the Walker River Paiute Tribe and a Registered Voter.
- 2. Must be 25 years of age or older.
- 3. Must be a bona fide resident of the territory of the Tribe for at least one (1) year prior to the election.
- 4. Cannot be a convicted felon.

CANDIDATE PETITIONS AND PETITION FORMS for candidacy will be available at the Tribal Chairman's office beginning on Friday, August 30, 2024. Each candidate will be required to sign out and file their own petition with the Secretary of Tribal Council or designated person, at least thirty (30) days prior to the election. Not less than ten (10) legal voters shall sign each petition. A voter may sign one (1) petition for each vacancy. All candidates must also turn in a Petition Form that notes for what office you are running. This form also serves as an authorization for a background check; you must pay \$50.00 and submit your receipt along with this form. The \$50.00 will be used for the background check. The last day to turn in both of these to the Secretary of the Tribal Council or the designated person at the Tribal Office, 1022 Hospital Road, is Friday, September 13, 2024.

Currently sitting Councilmen wishing to run for either of these offices must resign their positions prior to the ballot being approved by the Council on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>September 26</u>, <u>2024</u>. As per Tribal Resolution WR-65-2020, a written resignation letter must be submitted to the Tribal Election Board and accepted by the Tribal Council. This letter must be submitted with their petition.

<u>VOTER REGISTRATION:</u> All Walker River Tribal members who are eighteen (18) years of age by Election Day are eligible to vote. Members <u>must</u> be duly registered to be eligible to vote.

You may submit in writing a Voter Registration Form, you can pick one up at the Tribal Election office at 1022 Hospital Road, Schurz, Nevada or download one from the Tribe's website at wrpt.org. New registration forms must be returned to the Tribal Election Board by **Thursday, October 31, 2024**, for the November 2024 Election. Once you have registered to vote you do not have to register again. Please review the eligible Voter's Lists when posted.

<u>ABSENTEE BALLOTS</u> <u>must be requested by Friday, October 25, 2024.</u> Absentee ballot requests shall be submitted to the Tribal Election Board by mail at: Walker River Tribal Election Board, P.O. Box 130, Schurz, NV 89427, in person at the Tribal Election Office or you can download a form from the Tribe's website at wrpt.org. All absentee ballot requests shall be submitted via the absentee ballot request form.

AN ELIGIBLE VOTER THAT HAS REQUESTED AN ABSENTEE BALLOT AND SENT AN ABSENTEE BALLOT SHALL NOT VOTE AT THE POLLS UNLESS THEY SURRENDER THE ABSENTEE BALLOT THAT WAS SENT OUT TO THEM.

ELIGIBLE VOTERS LISTS: The final Eligible Voters List for the November 2024 Election will be posted on <u>Friday</u>, <u>November 1, 2024</u>.

For additional information, please call the Tribal Election Office at 775-773-2306 x2349 or

Email: electionboard@wrpt.org

Posted by Ellie Root, Tribal Election Secretary: 8/23/2024